

THE OUTCROP.

Devoted to the Mining and Development of the Windermere and Golden Divisions of the District of North Kootenay.

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MINERAL WEALTH OF NORTH EAST KOOTENAY

Construction of Kootenay Central Will Hasten Development

Fine Field for Investors, Prospectors and Investors

(From the "Annual Mining Review" of the Nelson Daily News.

What is officially known as the North East Kootenay or Golden District, includes the Golden and Windermere Mining Divisions.

Windermere Mining Division

Generally speaking mining was at a standstill in the Windermere Mining Division during 1907. Rumors were current at the beginning of the year that the construction of the proposed Kootenay Central Railway would be immediately undertaken. This railway would give the district access to the outside world and would provide transportation facilities for its mines, some of which have been developed sufficiently to enable them to maintain regular shipments of ore. At present shipping facilities exist only during the few months the Columbia river is navigable for steamers but the intermittent nature of such transportation arrangements, which admit of the mines producing only for a short period in each year, has a disastrous effect on those owners who have long struggled against this difficulty and that of a sufficient labor supply. The commencement of the railway construction put fresh heart into mine and claim owners, with the result that for a time work was done on a number of undeveloped prospects as well as on the several developed mines, but when it became evident that construction was not to be vigorously proceeded with a reaction set in and work was confined chiefly to the Paradise, Lead Queen and Nettie M., the last mentioned being a recent discovery. On each of these three properties a small number of men are being employed for the winter.

From K. J. Bevil, of Wilmer, the following information relative to the Windermere Division has been obtained:

The various mineral belts in the Windermere mining division that extend from Findlay creek to Salmon river, have been partly prospecting with good results. These include the following creeks and their tributaries: Findlay, Dutch, Johnson, Brady, Satter, Goldie, Tully, Horse Thief, No. 2, No. 3, and Salmon creeks. This territory comprises an area of about 45 miles in length by 35 miles in width. The drainage area of the upper Kootenay above Canal Flat has received but little attention from prospectors and not such knowledge of the locations recorded from that part of the division. In fact prospecting has been almost exclusively confined to the belt in range west of the Columbia lake and river.

The country lying between the Rocky mountains and Selkirk ranges is rolling brush land, large tracts of which are under cultivation and yielding satisfactory crops. It is claimed by practical agriculturists that this part of the Kootenay will yet equal, if not surpass, any other portion of British Columbia for fruit growing purposes. There is throughout the entire division plenty of water for irrigation.

The principal town in the division is Wilmer, which is beautifully situated on a bench above the Columbia river (west side) between Tully and Horse Thief creeks. It is the outlet from the mine and here are located the Provincial government offices of the division, viz., the mining recorder's office, county court registry, etc. Other towns are Athol-

and Windermere.

This division offers inducements to capitalists, prospectors and home seekers. To the capitalist it offers a large field of promising properties from which to choose, some of which are paying propositions even under present unfavorable conditions of transportation. From the prospector's point of view it may be said that this large stretch of country has as yet hardly been looked at, while the showings already uncovered indicate that the camp is destined to become one of the important mineral producing sections of the province. For the home seeker there is available plenty of good land which can be obtained at reasonable prices.

The outlook is promising, for the construction of the Kootenay Central Railway, which will traverse the district from north to south, has been commenced and will be completed without much delay. It is understood that construction work on a large scale will be undertaken next spring. It is expected that the Canadian Pacific Railway will use this line in connection with the Crow's Nest Railway, to relieve the heavy traffic over the "Big Hill" near Field, on the C. P. R. main line; also that connection will be made with the Spokane International (the Corbin road) now being built between Spokane and southwest Kootenay. The provision of railway transportation facilities will no doubt mark a new era in the development of the mining, lumbering and agricultural resources of the district.

During the past few years prospectors have restricted their explorations in the Windermere Division largely to Tully Horse Thief, No. 2 and No. 3 creeks and their tributary streams. The ledges found in these several localities have every appearance of strength and permanence. The following are the principal mining properties:

Paradise—The Paradise mine is situated on Spring creek, a tributary of Tully creek. Total development to date consists of 5,242 lineal feet of work. In the course of doing this work more than 6,000 tons of ore were taken out, and of this quantity 2,053 tons of a gross smelter value of \$85,081 were shipped to the Canadian Smelting Works, Trail. The average return from ore shipped was silver 57.94 ounces per ton, and lead 58.9 per cent. The work for the year consisted of more than 500 feet of additional development and exploratory work and three car loads of ore were shipped. The winter's work will be confined to extending the long tunnel (No. 4). Operation on a large scale will be undertaken whenever the transportation difficulty shall be overcome. The question of constructing an aerial tramway and putting in suitable road works is under consideration. A rough calculation made by the provincial mineralogist when he visited the mine in July, 1903, gave, if not of ore actually "blacked out" certainly "probable ore," about 50,000 tons, which keeping, there is good reason to believe has been largely increased by subsequent developments.

Nettie M.—The Nettie M. camp is situated on the south side of Tully creek. It consists of three claims which were located last July by B. H. Washburn, who disposed of one third interest to R. R. Bruce and G. A. Starke. Work

was at once commenced on the property and two cars of high grade ore were shipped to the smelter before the close of navigation. The ore is a mixture of galena and grey copper, carrying about 0.5 ozs. gold, 100 ozs. silver per ton, 8 per cent copper and 25 per cent lead. The lode is a contact and is well defined; it is about three feet in width with a paystreak of 11 inches of clean ore and carbonates. The paystreak has been stripped for more than 800 feet. Development work includes numerous open cuts and two tunnels. No. 1 tunnel is in 125 feet; it tapped the ledge at a depth of 75 feet. No. 2 tunnel which is already well under way, will be driven about 800 feet and work will be continued throughout the winter.

Dolphine.—The Dolphine group is on the North Fork of Tully creek. Some 300 feet of development work was done on the property during the year and three cars of ore taken out under a lease, were shipped to the smelter. This ore gave a return of 85 ozs. silver per ton, 30 per cent lead and 2 to 3 per cent copper. Total shipments to date are about 700 tons of a gross smelter value of \$13,100.

B. C. and Tully.—These claims are also on the North Fork of Tully creek. Work was continued on the property during the past season under lease. One car of high grade ore was shipped and another car is sacked and in transit to the Wilmer landing.

Tecumseh.—The Tecumseh group is on McDonald creek. During the fall a shipment of 53,675 pounds of ore was made to the Trail smelter from which an average return of silver of 83 ozs. per ton and lead 56.60 per cent was received. Total quantity shipped to date is 86 tons of a gross value of \$1,549.70. The paystreak on this property is 18 inches wide, of clean ore; development work has been very encouraging.

(To be concluded next issue.)

DISTRICT CROPPINGS

And Other Items of Interest in a General Way

The Wilmer school election last Thursday was the most interesting ever held here and nearly every one in town who had a vote turned out to make use of it. At 11 a.m. the secretary's report was read, showing a balance on hand of \$5 and adopted, and then nominations for trustees were called for and the following duly nominated: F. G. Ball, W. C. Bennett, G. Willard, J. M. McLeod, A. Starke, W. P. Evans, A. R. Eaton, E. Alton, R. Patton and Dr. Elliot. It was then decided to vote by ballot and keep the poll open until 4 p.m. and then the fun began and there was great hustling to get every voter to the poll to vote for the "other fellow?" When the ballots were counted it was found F. G. Ball was elected by a majority of 24, W. C. Bennett by 21 and G. Willard by 10.

It has been decided to give a masquerade ball in the Atholene Hall on St. Valentine's night—Wednesday, Feb. 18. Already the young folks have begun to prepare for it and some are suffering terribly to tell the secrets they want to keep. In the past the masquerades have never failed to draw big crowds and it is believed this one will prove the greatest success of them all.

Wm. Chamberlain and G. Farmer returned to Wilmer Sunday, having delivered Mrs. J. Young's cattle at Cranbrook. They report having made a successful trip.

Masquerade Ball Feb. 14.

Mrs. and Miss Hume are expected to return to Finland from Victoria shortly.

H. E. Forster has gone to Golden and is expected to return to Finland in a day or two.

The Golden Board of Trade hit the Star hard when the resolution was passed to support the K. C. R.

The B. C. Gazette contains a notice of the appointment of W. S. Rutan of Wilmer to be a justice of the peace.

F. L. Snook is kept busy hauling freight from Golden. He left again yesterday for the north with his four-hand.

Gold Commissioner Griffith arrived at Windermere last week and spent several days in the district on official business, returning to Golden yesterday.

All along the line from Golden to Cranbrook the people are doing everything possible to aid the Kootenay Central proposition. May it be successful.

Messrs. Claret and Gerwood, two Roseland mining men, have secured a lease on the Scammon property just back of Windermere and have been examining the property for the past week. One of them is reported as saying they will start work on it shortly.

Sam Jackson, the popular travelling tailor, arrived on Monday's stage and is calling on his customers throughout the district. Sam has been coming up the valley twice a year for many years and when the boom strikes here it is hoped he will be counted among the fortunate makers.

If the K. C. R. fails this country will not go to the dogs entirely as some may think. It will drop back to where it was two years ago when the road first broke in sight and from there it will progress slowly but surely. Where is the man who will say that this country would not be far better off the past two years had the K. C. R. never been heard of?

During the month of December 52,218 acres of land were sold by the land department of the Canadian Pacific Railway. The amount realized by the sale amounted to \$282,005, an average of \$5.40 per acre. During the year the entire amount sold amounted to 725,222 acres, the amount realized being \$4,011,244. During the previous year \$20,965 acres were sold for \$240,529. The department has advertised in The Outcrop for four years and the result is plain.

A meeting was held at the Wilmer Messrs. the Company's store on Monday evening to discuss the City Water Works system, when it was unanimously decided that the reservoir below this office should be replanned and a new engine for raising water installed, with new pipes. It was further resolved that a subscription list be started to provide the necessary funds and John M. McLeod was elected secretary treasurer, without any bonus being asked for, while R. Patton was duly voted master mechanic, and is to take entire charge of the work.

Messrs. Claret, M. E., and Gerwood left last stage for Windermere to examine the Scammon property. It was from this mine that the first copper ore ever shipped from this district was sent by Mr. Phillips to England years ago and although the expense of packing was enormous yet it paid. The ore was bought after by a smelter in England. It is the intention of these gentlemen to proceed with the work of development at once if they find conditions satisfactory. Mr. Claret is the son of the first assayer sent out by the colonial government and his uncle is the chief assayer of the Bank of England.—Cranbrook Herald.

Cranbrook Favors K.C.R. Bonus

Last Monday evening a meeting was held at Wentworth hall to discuss the Kootenay Central proposition. There was a very fair attendance of Cranbrook people, and from Fort Steele were R. L. T. Galbraith, Dr. Watt, A. B. Fenwick and Mr. Walsh. J. A. Harvey was called to the chair and he was accompanied to the platform by C. H. Pollen, president of the company and one of its promoters. Mayor Rogers was also called to the platform. Mr. Pollen was called upon to present the case and he did so in a most entertaining and clear manner. He explained how the road now had a bonus from the Dominion Government of \$3,200 a mile and had had one from the Provincial Government but that it had lapsed. To build the road it was necessary to have a bonus as a guarantee for the interest on the bonds so that they would be salable in the money markets. If the bonus could not be secured the road could not be built, and the project would fail and there was no telling when it would be revived. The speaker urged upon the people of the district to do all in their power to influence the government to play fair with the people of this district and give the company the bonus that would enable them to go ahead, and if this done there would be no delay about commencing construction.

Mr. Pollen was followed by Mayor Rogers, Dr. Watt, R. L. T. Galbraith, James Ryan, J. D. McBride, A. R. Fenwick, G. H. Thompson, F. E. Simpson and the chairman. All expressed themselves as being in favor of the road and willing to do all in their power to bring about a result. Messrs. Ryan and Simpson express themselves as opposed to the cash subsidy proposition, but thought adequate and just aid might be given in other ways. At the close a resolution was presented by E. Elwell, in favor of the government granting aid to the Kootenay Central and it was adopted.—Herald.

Golden Boosts K.C.R.

Board of Trade Decided to Circulate a Petition

A meeting of the Golden Board of trade was held at the Court House on Saturday afternoon last, a large number of the members being present. The meeting was called for the purpose of taking steps towards bringing several important matters to the notice of the government—one matter being assistance to the Kootenay Central Railway. In this respect it was decided to circulate a petition among the citizens for signature, asking the Government to assist the construction of the road in some way in order that the same may be in operation at as early a date as possible. It was decided that someone was apparently going to have it, so the K. C. R. may as well get it as anyone else. Resolutions were also passed asking the Government to construct a wagon road up No. 3 creek, in the Windermere district, and building roads to several other properties, including the Good Luck and Shining Beauty groups of mines, which only require a good wagon road to make them practically steady shippers, as development has shown immense bodies of ore ready to be stoped out when transportation facilities are improved. A good deal of routine work was disposed of before the meeting adjourned.—Star.

If the K. C. R. fails, what then?

Born—At Cranbrook, Tuesday, Jan. 11th, to Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Smith a daughter.

F. W. Jones, of the Columbia River Lumber Co. operating in this district, was elected president of the Mountain Lumbermen's Association at the annual meeting held in Nelson.

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WILMER, B.C., THURSDAY, JAN. 18, 1906.

The roast "Viator" gave the Cranbrook people and Herald was rather hot, but as the growth of that town has been largely the cause of the downfall of Fort Steele it is only natural that the best of feeling should not prevail between the towns. However, when the K. C. R. is built Steele will again be in a position to give Cranbrook a race for the supremacy of South East Kootenay. The Cranbrook papers and people would not be considered very enterprising if they did not do all in their power to get a good thing like the Kootenay Central into their city no matter what obstacles may be presented, and if Fort Steele is served by the road there seems no good reason why the road should not terminate at a good, live town when one already exists. Some trouble of the same nature exists in this vicinity. Wilmer, Athalmer, Canterbury and Windermere want the road through their towns, but all cannot have it, yet all are doing their level best to get it, and if such were not the case the lack of enterprise would indeed be lamentable.

The article published in The Outcrop a few weeks ago advocating that an experimental farm be established somewhere in this valley has gone the rounds of our provincial exchanges pretty well and so far not one unfavorable comment has been noted, and, therefore, it may be taken that none can be found. This is significant when it is considered that many other sections appear more eager than the people here to obtain it. In this connection we would keep before the public the statement of Mr. Thos. Sharpe, who has charge of the Dominion Government experimental farm at Agassiz, to The Outcrop:

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It would seem that the opportunity for securing an experimental farm in the valley at present is very good and it is to be hoped due advantage will be taken of it and every effort put forth to secure it.

The impression that Wilmer had been created a rural school district was proved to be incorrect, but at the election of trustees it was unanimously voted that the authorities be asked to make it one. More than a year ago the educational department were supplied with all the information necessary and as the teacher's salary was then raised equal to the amount paid in organized districts it was believed the matter was settled. It is evident that the taxes would not amount to a quarter of a cent an acre on the land within the district were this organized, and yet under the present arrangement the amount paid bears heavily on a few.

Much credit is due Mr. E. J. Seovil for his efforts to keep North East Kootenay before the public as he has succeeded in doing in his very able article in the holiday number of the Nelson Daily News which appears elsewhere in this issue. The News issues a handsomely illustrated number, under the title of "Annual Mining Review", containing a comprehensive review of every feature of the mining industry within the province and every camp. It should result in much good to British Columbia generally and Nelson particularly. It is an edition that reflects great credit on the News and is characteristic of that daily in that it provides facts rather than nice sounding words.

The Xmas. number of the Winnipeg Farmers' Advocate was rather late at arriving at this office, yet the many good articles and illustrations it contains are worthy of mention at any time. It contains much about B. C. fruit growing and gardening that makes it indispensable to all horticulturists.

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Kootenay Central

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MAIN LINE OF O.P.R.

Golden
 Carbonate
 Wapiti
 Spillimachee
 Galena
 Brice
 Sinclair
 Wilmer
 Athlmer
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 Windermere
 Fairmont
 Thunder Hills
 Sheep Creek
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Dated 12th October, 1905. J. F. HANNA.

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B. C. Lead Output Growing

According to G. O. Buchanan, bounty commissioner, the production of lead in British Columbia for the calendar year 1905 (December estimated) was as follows:

Lbs. Lead	
Hall Mining & Smelting Co.	17,785,862
Canadian Smelting Works	12,785,001
Elsewhere in B.C.	11,208,160
Reported in ore to Europe	19,508,838
	57,277,761
Equal	28,636 tons
Output, 1904	200,000 tons
Increase	8,636 tons

Except for the blank in shipments from the St. Eugene caused by damage to their works by fire (the months of October and November having been practically lost), the output for 1905 would have gone close to that of the banner year, 1900, which was 31,673 tons.

For the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1905, the returns to the department of trade and commerce for bounty purposes show as follows:

Lbs. Lead	
Delivered to B. C. smelters	33,704,052
Export to Europe	21,972,909
Total	55,676,961
Equal to	27,838 tons.

Bounty earned, home smelted lead.....\$240,038 71
Bounty earned, exported lead.....\$7,157 30
Total.....\$337,216 01

For the year ending June 30th, 1904, the figures were:

Lead production.....13,397 tons
Bounty earned.....\$196,283 92

The term for which a bounty was payable upon lead in ore exported to Europe ended on June 30, 1905, and a proposition for the extension of the term was not favorably considered by the government.

That lead will remain permanently above £16 is not to be expected, but it is probable that we have seen the last of £12 lead. The predominant influence of the American Smelting & Refining Company, not so much in favor of an extremely high price, as of a steady price, is beginning to be internationally felt, and there is beyond that, universal testimony to the fact that the legitimate demand for lead has overtaken the supply, that the demand is growing and bound to grow, and the sources of fresh supplies are not in sight.

Of our home-smelted product the electrolytic refinery at Trail is now treating 50 tons per day, or at the rate of 18,000 tons per annum. At the present moment the refinery is busy with orders for Canadian consumption, and it is probable that we can count the Canadian market as good for, from this time onward 18,000 tons per annum.

The product of the Trail refinery in both silver and lead exceeds in purity any hitherto produced upon a commercial scale, and both metals command a premium in competition with the product of other refineries.

Peck's Resolve

The Outcrop has received from J. Peck MacSwain a very novel New Year's card printed on rough pulp board about the size of an official envelope. On one side he has printed his name and his greeting, which reads thus: "May your trail through the wilderness of 1906 be blessed with good luck." On the other side is the following characteristic verse, which he heads "Peck's resolve":

Peck has resolved, and will it fix,
Not to touch booze in nineteen six;
To steer clear of whisky, gin and beer—
Live a model life all year;
Not touch anything that'll create an inward fire—

Still, like others, you'll find Peck's a liar.

Peck is a tourist printer and a knight of the quill who has low peers in the wide Dominion. At present he is making the Golden Star shine as it never did before and The Outcrop wishes him all the good in 1906 his fertile upper-steps can think of, and hopes the last line of his verse will prove the biggest lie Peck ever wrote.

Croppings

Luck means rising at 6 o'clock in the morning, living on a dollar a day if you earn two, minding your own business and not meddling with other people's. Luck means appointments you have

never failed to keep, trains you have never failed to catch. Luck means trusting in God and your own resources.—Max O'Reil.

Try The Outcrop for Job Printing.

This Outcrop is on sale at A. R. Yates Drug Store, Wilmer.

Rev. Mr. McKenzie will conduct Presbyterian church services at Galena the fourth Sunday of each month, and every other Sunday in Windermere at 11 a.m., Atholmer 5 p.m. and Wilmer 7:30 p.m.

The Outcrop will print you, on short notice and in any amount, shipping tags, billheads, statements, letterheads, noteheads, memos, receipts, envelopes, visiting cards, business cards, bills of fare, dogtags, posters, etc., etc. Will meet any quality or price.

LAND NOTICES.

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Notice is hereby given that 30 days after date I will apply to the Hon. Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 200 acres of pasture lands in the Windermere District of North East Kootenay, situated as follows: Commencing at a post planted at the north east corner of Lot 66, Group 1, Kootenay District, thence north to chain to the southerly limit of D. McGowan's pre-emption; thence west to chain; thence south to chain; thence east to chain to point of commencement.

Wilmer, B.C., October 24th, 1905.
HERBERT C. HAMMOND,
Per HUGH MACDONALD, Agent.

CERTIFICATE OF IMPROVEMENTS

Silver Salt and Carbonate Fraction, Mineral Claims

Situate in the Windermere Mining Division of North East Kootenay District, there is hereby issued, on Tolly creek, a tributary of Tolly creek.

Take Notice that I, Charles M. Keep, Free Miner's Certificate No. 2104, intend, at 31 days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under Section 22, must be commenced before the expiration of such Certificate of Improvements. Dated this 2nd day of January, A.D. 1906.

1-18 C. M. KEEP.

NOTICE.

To Delinquent Co-owners

To J. E. Birmingham, of Kato, B.C., or to whomsoever he may have transferred his interest in the "Kato" mine, situate in the Windermere Mining Division of North East Kootenay District, there is hereby notified that I have expended money and improvements upon the above mentioned mineral claim under the provisions of the Mineral Act, and it is within ninety days from the date of this notice you fail or refuse to contribute your portion of the above mentioned sum (\$20.00), which is now due, together with all costs of advertising, your interest in the said mineral claim will be forfeited to the property of the undersigned under Section 24 of the Mineral Act, and the same will be sold to satisfy the debt due to me. Dated Wilmer, B.C., January 18th, 1906.

1-18 ROBERT M. CLUTE.

Union Hotel,

Wilmer, B. C.

This pioneer hotel has recently been painted and renovated into an up-to-date hostelry. Miners, tourists and all classes of this world's people can always get a square meal and an easy bed within the portals of my doors. The bar contains many kinds of nerve bracers, ranging from gentle old rye to the tipple that foams in the glass. If you are dry, hungry, weary or mad when you reach Wilmer, lift the latch and drop in.

WM. CHAMBERLAIN, Proprietor.

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JOHN McLEOD. - - - Manager.



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